

Weare Heritage Commission
MINUTES
July 23, 2008

In attendance: Chairperson Tanya Kress, Secretary Meg Malette, Heleen Kurk, and George Malette. Natacha Villamia Sochat was absent.

GUESTS: New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources Preservation Planner Nadine Peterson, New Hampshire Division of Historical Resources Mary Kate Ryan, and Weare Historical Society Past President Betty Straw were guests of the commission. The meeting was called to order at 7 P.M.

The June 25, 2008, minutes were reviewed by the commission. Tanya Kress made a motion to approve the minutes. George Malette seconded the motion. All were in favor. Weare Town Administrator Fred Ventresco will be included in the distribution list of the minutes.

The meeting began with Nadine Peterson and Mary Kate Ryan's PowerPoint presentation, which introduced and defined a heritage commission, i.e., funding options, federal versus state inventory forms, and the importance of beginning with a town wide survey. The survey's cost estimate is \$5,000. Nadine Peterson said that she will share the presentation via email with the commission.

Betty Straw informed the commission that the Weare Historical Society is reviewing the list of homes on the Weare 1880 map. Weare Historical Society President Sherry Burdick is taking pictures of these homes. This information can be included in the town wide survey (mentioned above) and will reduce the cost.

Other suggestions to focus on were short term training workshops and setting goals. Heleen Kurk recommended that the commission begin with a small project.

During the "Other Business" segment of the meeting, George Malette brought the group current on the John Stark scenic byway (Routes 13, 77, and 114 in Dunbarton, New Boston, Goffstown, and Weare).

The next meeting is on August 27, 2008, beginning at 7 P.M. at the Weare town office building. Heleen Kurk made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 P.M. and seconded by George Malette.

Respectfully submitted,

Meg Malette

Meg Malette, Secretary